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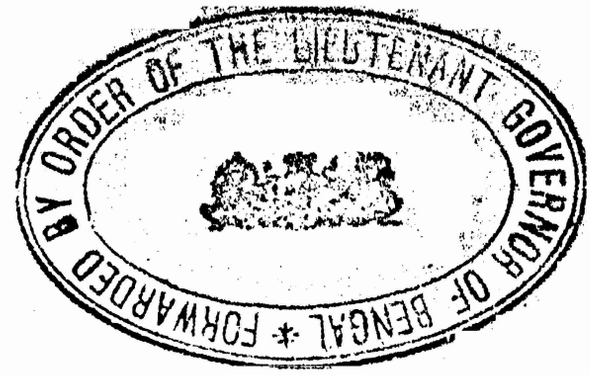

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The prescribed Statements Nos. 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 are appended to this report.

2. Owing to the Chief Commissioner's absence on leave Colonel T. G. Clarke officiated as Judicial Commissioner in January and February, and Mr. Girdlestone from June to the close of the year.

3. The great event of the year was the re-organization of the Courts described in paragraphs 2, 3 and 4 of the Commissioner's report. The change was clearly necessary, and is considered to be working well. After the present distribution of work between different courts has been in force a little longer, the question whether it requires modification will be considered. The table given in paragraph 6 of the report shows that there were 933 civil suits on the rolls of the Munsiffs' Courts in the seven months for which their courts were open. This indicates that in future years they will perform, as was intended, more than half the original civil judicial work. Whether they can take even a greater share depends upon the amount of criminal work, including Breach of Contract cases, which it is found necessary to make over to them.

4. The 2nd Assistant Commissioner's Court does not seem to receive as many original suits as was intended. It would seem advisable to raise the limit of the jurisdiction of this Court and of that of the 1st Assistant Commissioner so as to give fewer original suits to the Courts of the 1st Assistant Commissioner and of the District Judge who, as District Magistrate and Commissioner, have little time for this work. But in deciding such questions in a province which is merely a single District, the personal fitness of particular officers must be first ascertained.

5. The tables in paragraphs 8, 10 and 11 of the report show that nearly three-fourths of the suits do not exceed Rs. 100 in value, and that all but a few are of the nature of suits which are heard in Small Cause Courts. It is, Mr. Lyall thinks, an advantage that a large number of suits of this class arising in the villages should be decided near the homes of the parties by the Subedars and Parpattegars. As a rule cases of this kind occupy very little time, and are easy to decide.

6. These tables also show a considerable diminution in the number of suits, due as the Commissioner remarks to the depression caused by the falling off in the prosperity of the enterprise of coffee cultivation. The increase in the average value of suits is, it will be seen, due to the same cause.

7. The detail of mode of disposal of suits given in paragraph 12 does not seem to call for remark; but it may be observed that here as elsewhere, references to arbitration appear to have gone out of favor.

8. The number of pending suits at the end of the year in the Virajendrapet Munsiff's Court is unsatisfactorily large. If due as the Commissioner says to heavy criminal work devolving on him, the District Magistrate should be requested to make a better division of the criminal work. The Commissioner should report why two cases

have been pending in the Virajendrapet Munsiff's and in the 2nd Assistant Commissioner's Courts from the 1st April and May 1885.

9. The duration of suits in the year under report, does not differ materially from that for the previous year, and calls for no objection. The apparent excessive duration in the District Judge's Court is explained by the Commissioner. Witnesses appear to have been promptly dismissed.

10. The appellate work falling to the 1st Assistant Commissioner's share was very considerable in amount when his other duties are considered; but it is probable that his share will be less in future years as the Subedars will try fewer civil suits. The average duration of appeals was not objectionably long.

11. There was a slight diminution in the number of applications for execution of decree. The establishment of the Munsiffs' Courts has already relieved the Subedars of much of this work which used to interfere considerably with their other duties. As in the previous year the proportion of wholly infructuous applications was very large. The local circumstances mentioned by Colonel Clarke and the change from a period of great prosperity to one of depression afford an explanation, but the courts in which the largest proportion of applications are infructuous should be called upon to explain.

12. In the Judicial Commissioner's Court there were 4 regular appeals during the year, and all were contested. The decision of the lower Court was confirmed in 2 cases, reversed in 1 case, and 1 appeal was left pending at the end of the year. The value of the appeals instituted was Rs. 13,095, and the average duration of the appeals disposed of was 39·6 days.

13. Twenty-one second appeals were instituted in the Judicial Commissioner's Court during the year. Of these 10 were for moveable property, 6 for immoveable property, and 5 were of such a nature that their value could not be estimated in money. The value of property involved in the 16 appeals above referred to amounted to Rs. 3,024—2—0.

14. Out of 31 second appeals for disposal (including 10 appeals pending from the previous year) 21 were disposed of as shown below, leaving 10 pending at the close of the year.

		1884.	1885.
Without trial		1	1
Without contest	Confirmed	3	7
	Modified	...	...
	Reversed	1	1
Contested	Confirmed	6	9
	Modified	3	...
	Reversed	3	2
	Remanded	...	1
	Total	17	21

The average duration of each second appeal was 95·1 against 65·5 days in 1884.

15. All the Courts were inspected during the year by the District Judge or by the 1st Assistant Commissioner. The Officiating Chief Commissioner and Judicial Commissioner also inspected some of the Courts during his tour in Coorg.

E. A. FRASER.
Secretary.

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COLONEL T. G. CLARKE,

Commissioner and District Judge of Coorg.

Colonel T. G. Clarke assumed charge of the office of Commissioner and District Judge of Coorg on the 14th March 1885.

2. *Tribunals.*—The Coorg Courts Regulation No. 1 of 1885 having received the sanction of the Government of India, Munsiffs' Courts were opened at Mercara and Virajendrapett respectively on the 1st May 1885, Mr. Maneyappandra Belliappa being appointed to the former, and Mr. Ramaya Punja B. A. & B. L. to the latter Court.

3. Coincident with the establishment of these new Courts, the Town Subedars' Courts at Mercara and Virajendrapett, were abolished; the pecuniary jurisdiction of the Courts of the Taluk Subedars in Civil cases was reduced from Rs. 300 to Rs. 100; and the 1st Assistant Commissioner (who is also the Magistrate of the District, was invested with original and appellate powers, while the pecuniary limit of the 2nd Assistant Commissioner's original jurisdiction was lowered, and his former appellate powers withdrawn.

4. The several Courts which exercised Civil jurisdiction throughout the year were as follow:—

1. The Court of the District Judge as the principal Court of original jurisdiction with powers to receive appeals from the two Munsiffs' Courts and from the 1st and 2nd Assistant Commissioners' Courts.

2. The Court of the 1st Assistant Commissioner whose original jurisdiction ranges from Rs. 1,000 to Rs. 3,000 and who has powers to receive appeals from the Taluk Courts.

3. The Court of the 2nd Assistant Commissioner whose original jurisdiction ranges from Rs. 500 to Rs. 1,000.

4. The Munsiffs' Courts at Mercara and Virajendrapett with original jurisdiction ranging from Rs. 100 to Rs. 500.

5. The Courts of Taluk Subedars (six in number) with powers to entertain original cases up to Rs. 100.

6. Tho Courts of Parpattegars (five in number) with powers to entertain cases of the nature of small causes only up to Rs. 50.

5. *Institution of Suits.*—The total number of suits instituted in all the Courts, during the year was 2639, against 2932 in 1884 being less by 293 cases.

6. *Courts in which Suits were instituted.*—The subjoined comparative statement shows the number of suits instituted in the several classes of Courts during the past and previous years.

Class of Courts.	1884.	1885.	Increase.	Decrease.
Parpattegars' Courts	270	297	27	...
Subedars' „	2,491	1,272	...	1,219
Munsiffs' „	...	933	933	...
2nd Assistant Commissioner's Court	157	96	...	61
1st Assistant Commissioner's „	...	81	31	...
District Judge's „	14	10	...	4
Total.....	2,932	2,639	991	1,284
	Net decrease ...		...	293

7. From the figures given in the margin it will be observed that there has been a gradual diminution in the number of suits instituted since 1883, which was the last of a series of prosperous years in Coorg.

1883.	1884.	1885.
3,168	2,932	2,639

8. *Classification of Suits.*—A comparison of the classification of suits instituted showing variation in their numbers during the past and previous years is given in the following statement:—

Classification.	1884.	1885.	Increase.	Decrease.
Contract in writing	1,838	1,659	...	179
Contract not in writing	41	42	1	...
On account stated	426	332	...	94
Money had and received	217	228	11	...
Goods sold	36	10	...	26
Wages, work and materials	38	23	...	15
Rent not falling under the Rent Law	39	26	...	13
Moveable property or value thereof	161	170	9	...
Damages	51	46	...	5
Suits for immoveable property	48	69	21	...
Suits to declare and establish personal rights	29	15	...	14
Suits to set aside judgments, contracts or obligations on the ground of fraud.	1	2	1	...
Suits for dissolution of marriage	...	1	1	...
Suits for enforcement of matrimonial rights	4	5	1	...
Suits for partition	1	...	...	1
Suits relating to religion and caste	...	1	1	...
Other suits not falling under any of the previous heads	2	10	8	...
Total.....	2,932	2,639	54	347
	Net decrease ...			293

9. *Value of Suits instituted.*—The total value of suits instituted amounted to Rs. 24,51,264—14—7 against Rs. 4,71,181—8—11 in 1884. the increase being due to 3 suits of large value filed in the District Judge's Court by Banking Firms against coffee Planters. The value of one suit alone was Rs. 20,18,450—0—8, and of the two other suits amounted to Rs. 68,403—0—3.

10. The following is a comparative statement for the two past years of suits classified, according to their value:—

	1884.		1885.	
	Number.	Percentage.	Number.	Percentage.
Not exceeding Rs. 10	319	10·87	314	11·89
„ 50	1,289	43·96	1,113	42·17
„ 100	533	18·17	488	18·49
„ 500	648	22·1	587	22·24
„ 1,000	56	1·90	56	2·12
„ 5,000	46	1·56	51	1·93
„ 10,000	2	·06	2	·07
Exceeding Rs. 10,000	4	·13	5	·18
Not estimable in money...	35	1·19	23	·87

The average value of suits instituted in 1884 and 1885 was Rs. 160 and Rs. 928, respectively.

11. The subjoined is a comparative statement of the number of suits disposed of by the several classes of Courts during the years 1884 and 1885.

	1884.		1885.	
	Number.	Percentage.	Number.	Percentage.
Parpattegars' Courts	272	9.51	270	10·53
Subedars' „	2,404	84·43	1,250	48·75
Munsiffs' „	...	...	921	35·92
2nd Assistant Commissioner's Court	154	5·40	88	3·43
1st Assistant Commissioner's „	...	...	25	·97
District Judge's ... „	18	0·63	10	·39
Total.....	2,848	100	2,564	100

Each Parpattegar and Subedar has disposed of at an average 54 and 208 suits respectively during the year, which is a good out-turn considering that these officers have much other Criminal and Revenue business to attend to.

12. The following table shows the mode of disposal of the suits during the year 1885.

		Suits.	Percentage.
	Arrears in 1884	164	...
	Instituted in 1885	2,639	...
	Total for disposal.....	2,803	
	Without trial	392	15·28
Without contest ...	Compromised	83	3·23
	Decreed on confession	771	30·07
	Decreed *exparte*	727	28·35
	Dismissed *exparte*	10	0·39
By arbitration ...	For Plaintiff	1	·03
	For Defendant	1	·03
With contest ...	Judgment for Plaintiff	422	16·45
	Judgment for Defendant	157	6·12
	Total.....	2,564	
	Pending at the end of the year.....	239	
	Total.....	2,803	

13. *Cases re-filed.*—Out of 727 suits decreed *exparte* only 28 were re-admitted on the file, of which 3 were decided in favour of the Defendant.

14. *Application for Review.*—Thirteen applications for review of judgment were made during the year, of which 8 were granted and 5 rejected.

15. *Pauper Suits.*—Twenty-five applications for permission to sue in *forma pauperis* against 14 in the previous year were made, of which 15 were granted.

16. *Pending File.*—Two-hundred and thirty-nine cases were pending at the close of the year against 164 in the previous year. The details of the Courts are subjoined.

	Number.	Date of oldest case pending.
Parpattegars' Courts	23	8th October 1885.
Sebedars' ,, ...	52	16th September 1885
Munsiffs' ,, ...	148	1st May 1885.
2nd Assistant Commissioner's Court	5	1st April 1885.
1st Assistant Commissioner's ,, ...	8	29th September 1885.
District Judge's ,, ...	3	26th September 1885.
Total.....	239	

Of the Subedars' Courts, that of the Padinalknad Taluk Court has the largest pending file, viz. 18. Of the Munsiffs the Virajendrapett Munsiff had 107 cases undisposed of at the close of the year. In both cases this result is due to heavy criminal work devolving upon these officers.

17. *Contested and uncontested Suits.*—Out of 2,564 suits disposed of during the year, 1,984 were uncontested and 580 contested. The percentage of uncontested suits was 77·37 against 80·25 in 1884, while the percentage decided in favor of Plaintiffs in contested cases was 72·75 as against 83·45 in 1884.

18. *Arbitration.*—Two cases were referred to arbitration during the year; one by the Munsiff of Mercara and the other by the District Judge.

19. *Duration of Suits.*—Duration of original suits in the several classes of Courts in the past and previous years is given below:—

	1884.		1885.	
	Contested.	Uncontested.	Contested.	Uncontested.
	Days.	Days	Days.	Days.
Parpattegars	25	18	30	18
Subedars	42	17	40	32
Munsiffs	...	...	73	33
2nd Assistant Commissioner	54	24	56	34
1st Assistant Commissioner	...	...	55	37
District Judge	73	30	279	65
General average.....	42	21	53	31

20. The unusually heavy duration in the Court of the District Judge is due to one case which was in 1883 first referred to a Commissioner for examination of accounts, and subsequently to arbitrators, who in March 1885 (when I took charge of the Court) had not taken a single step towards the preparation of their award. There was some further delay owing to the absence of the Plaintiff (a European Planter) in England. The case has since been disposed of.

21. Five thousand and eighty-seven witnesses attended the Courts during the year; of these—

4,749	were dismissed after	attendance for	1 day
302	do	do	„ 2 days
24	do	do	„ 3 „
12	do	do	„ 4 „
5,087.			

22. *Miscellaneous Cases.*—There were 680 miscellaneous applications for disposal during the year against 567 in the year 1884. They were disposed of as shown below:—

	1884.	1885.
Disposed of without trial	84	141
Compromised	14	17
Decreed on confession	48	34
Decreed *ex parte*	138	162
Dismissed *ex parte*...	0	7
Judgment for Plaintiff	193	196
Judgment for Defendant	68	96
	540	653
Pending at the close of the year	27	27
Total	567	680

23. Of these 41 were applications for certificates to collect debts under Act XXVII of 1860.

One application for Probate and letters of administration under Act X of 1865.

Thirteen applications under the Bombay Minors' Act XX of 1864. All these were filed and disposed of in the District Judge's Court.

24. The average duration for contested and uncontested miscellaneous cases was 14 days.

APPEALS.

25. Out of 580 appealable cases appeals were filed in 131 cases as follows:—

The 1st Assistant Commissioner	104
District Judge	27
Total....	131

to which must be added 11 cases pending from the last year, making a total of 142 cases, which were disposed of as follows:—

		1884.		1885.	
		Number.	Percentage.	Number.	Percentage.
Without trial	... ...	8	6 06	12	9 16
Heard *ex parte.*	Confirmed	1	...	2	1·52
	Modified	1	6 06	...	3·05
	Reversed	4	...	1	·76
	Remanded	2	...	1	·76
Contested.	Confirmed	43	32 57	64	48·85
	Modified	21	15 90	23	17·55
	Reversed	29	21·96	20	15 26
	Remanded	23	17·42	8	6·10
	Total.. ...	132	...	131	..

There were 11 appeals remaining for disposal at the close of the year, viz. 8 in the 1st Assistant Commissioner's Court and 3 in the District Judge's Court.

26. The date of the oldest appeal pending at the end of the year was 12th November 1885 in the 1st Assistant Commissioner's Court.

27. *Duration.*—The average duration of appeals was 29 days, the figures being the same in the 1st Assistant Commissioner's and District Judge's Courts, against 29 and 32 respectively in the previous year.

28. *Pauper Appeals.*—There were no appeals registered under this head during the year, while there were 2 in the year previous.

29. *Miscellaneous Appeals.*—There were 18 miscellaneous appeals for disposal, 14 in the 1st Assistant Commissioner's Court, and 4 in the District Judge's Court, which were disposed of as follows:—

Dismissed for default or otherwise 2,
Reversed .. .. 2, and in 14 cases heard *ex parte*, 3 were confirmed, 2 modified and 9 reversed. The average duration for each case was 11 days.

EXECUTION OF DECREES.

30. The following table shows the number of applications filed in the several classes of Courts for execution of decrees, for 1885, as well as for 1884.

	1885.			
	Pending.	Received.	Total.	1884.
Parpattegars	3	100	103	126
Subedars	176	1,244	1,420	2,417
Munsiffs	...	899	899	...
2nd Assistant Commissioner	36	236	272	260
1st Assistant Commissioner	...	16	16	...
District Judge	6	14	20	20
Total.....	221	2,509	2,730	2,823

which were disposed of as follows :—

	1884.	1885.
Satisfaction obtained in full	767	610
„ in part	442	473
Wholly infructuous	1,393	1,376
Total.....	2,602	2,459
Pending.....	221	271

31. Three cases were pending over 3 months, one in the Munsiff's and 2 in the 2nd Assistant Commissioner's Courts.

32. Rs. 108,239—8—8 were recovered through the Courts in execution, while Rs. 4,618—9—4 were paid in satisfaction of decrees, independently of the Courts.

33. The large number of applications struck off without satisfaction being obtained wholly or in part, does not admit of satisfactory explanation. There are no doubt special difficulties to be overcome by decree-holders in Coorg, owing to the practice among Coorgs of community of property, and the difficulty of contesting claims when the property of judgment debtors is attached. It is doubtful also whether the Courts are strict in the observance of the provisions of Section 257 A of the Civil Procedure Code, and in withholding the sanction of the Court when time is allowed to judgment debtors by decree-holders without due consideration.

34. The following comparative table shows the manner in which decrees have been executed in the past and previous years.

	1884.	1885.
Number of applications on which judgment debtors were imprisoned	41	47
Do on which judgment debtors were arrested, but released without imprisonment	135	132
Do on which moveable property was sold	236	244
Do on which moveable property was attached, but subsequently released	420	534
Do on which immoveable property was sold	39	22
Do on which immoveable property was attached, but subsequently released	20	42
Do on which action was taken under Section 305 or 326, Civil Procedure Code	2	2
Do on which possession was given for moveable property ...	5	13
Do on which possession was given for immoveable property ...	21	7
Total.....	919	1,043

35. *Judgment Debtors.*—Of the 47 judgment debtors confined in the Civil Jail during the year, 3 were females, the number being 5 in the year 1884.

36. *Insolvency.*—There were 5 applications under this head during the year against 9 in the year previous, of which only 2 were granted. In both cases there were no assets, and the liabilities were very small amounting to Rs. 262—1—4.

37. *Processes.*—The total number of processes issued and the income realized during the past two years are given in the following table :—

Year.	Number of processes issued.	Fees collected.	Cost Establishment contingencies.	Net profits.
1884	20,132	9,860 0 0	6,172 11 6	3,687 4 6
1885	20,861	9,258 10 0	7,009 1 6	2,249 8 6

38. The decrease in receipts is explained by the fact of the reduction in the rate of fees levied on warrants of attachment prescribed in the revised table of fees contained in the Chief Commissioner's Notification No. 4, dated 17th May 1884.

39. The increase in the cost of establishment was due to the number of Amins and Peons being raised from 11 and 49 respectively in 1884 to 15 and 53 in the year under report. The increase was due partly to the establishment of Munsiffs' Courts, and partly to the revised distribution of the process serving establishment so as to ensure that as far as possible each Court should execute its own processes.

40. The number of processes issued in 1885 exhibits some increase over that of the previous year. From what has come to notice during a recent inspection of the Courts, it seems a common practice of the subordinate courts to issue fresh summons free of cost. Under a proper system, this should be avoided; and the attention of Courts, where this practice has been observed, has been called to the defect in procedure.

41. *Civil Records and Registers.*—The Civil records and registers of several of the Courts in the Province were inspected during the year by the District Judge, and the remainder by the 1st Assistant Commissioner of Coorg. The results have been submitted to the Judicial Commissioner in the Inspection reports.

42. *Security.*—Security has been furnished by Nazirs, Mutsaddies, Amins and all the Process peons, and their bonds are kept in the Sudder Treasury for safe custody.

43. *The Bar.*—The Local Bar consisted of 5 first grade and 29 second grade Pleaders comprising the following nationalities :—

	1st Grade.	2nd Grade.
Europeans	1	...
Brahmins	1	19
Coorgs	2	3
Hindus and others...	1	7
Total.....	5	29

44. *General Remarks.*—The principal feature of the year under review has been the institution of 2 Munsiffs' Courts in Coorg, and the several changes connected therewith. It is too early as yet to form any opinion as to the popularity of these

Courts, but there can be no doubt as to the urgent necessity that existed for reformation, when under the former arrangements, it fell to the Subedars and Parpattegars, who were already burdened with other duties and themselves untrained to the work of Civil Judges, to dispose of the great mass of original suits, while the first appeals from their decrees lay to the Court of the 2nd Assistant Commissioner, who was equally devoid of judicial training. The changes now made have therefore been decidedly a move in the right direction, and I trust it may not be long before the work of adjudicating in Civil cases is concentrated upon a fewer number of Courts than at present.

45. There has been a decrease of 293 cases in the number of suits filed during the year; following a decrease of 236 which occurred in the previous year evidencing the commercial and agricultural depression which has set in during the past 2 years. There is further detailed evidence of this in the table appended to para 8 above.

46. The report presents no other points which call for special remark.

TREDWAY G. CLARKE,
Commissioner.

27*th February* 1886.

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. VII.—(CIVIL.)

Statement showing the Number and Description of Civil Suits instituted in the Civil Courts in the Province of Coorg in the year 1885.

Class of Tribunals	Suits for money or movable property.										Suits under the Rent Law.								Title and other Suits.															Remarks.
	Contract in writing.	Contract not in writing.	On account stated.	Money had and received.	Goods sold.	Wages, work and materials.	Rent not falling under the Rent Law.	Movable property or value thereof.	Damages.	Other suits for money or movables not already mentioned.	Arrears of rent with or without ejectment or cancelment of lease.	Enhancement or abatement of rent.	Relating to distrain.	Damages for extortion or withholding receipts, or on account of illegal restraint or other cause	For pattahs or kabulyats.	For ejectment or recovery of possession.	For recovery of money or accounts from agents.	All other suits under the Rent Law not included above.	Suits for immovable property	Suits for declaratory decrees.	Other suits under the Specific Relief Act.	Suits to declare and establish rights to real property including pre-emption, foreclosure, &c.	Suits to declare and establish personal rights.	Suits for an account.	Suits relating to religious endowments.	Suits to set aside judgments, contracts or obligations on the ground of fraud.	Suits for dissolution of marriage.	Suits for enforcement of matrimonial rights.	Suits for partition.	Suits relating to shipping.	Suits relating to religion and caste.	Administration suits.	Interpleader suits.	Dissolution of partnership.	Suits under Section 281, Act X of 1865 (also Hindu Wills Act.)	Other suits not falling under any of the previous heads.	Grand Total.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39
CIVIL COURTS.																																					
Parpattegars' Courts ...	132	2	43	66	...	5	5	37	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	297
Subedars' Courts .	830	18	89	118	5	7	18	103	28	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	40	...	...	...	7	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	1	...	...	...	3	1,272
Munsiffs' Courts	589	21	190	44	5	10	3	27	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	22	...	...	...	7	...	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	933
1st Asst. Commissioner's Court	24	...	2	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	31
2nd Assistant Commissioner's Court	79	1	3	...	...	...	...	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	96
District Judge's Court ..	5	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10
Judicial Commissioner's Court.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total.....	1,659	42	332	228	10	23	26	170	46	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	..	..	69	...	...	...	15	...	...	2	1	5	...	...	1	...	...	...	10	2,639	

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. VIII.—(CIVIL.)

Statement showing Number and Value of Suits instituted in the Civil Courts in the Province of Coorg in the year 1885.

Value of Suits.	Number of Suits instituted in the different Courts.									Total Value of Suits.			Remarks.
	Not exceeding Rs. 10.	Ditto Rs. 50.	Ditto Rs. 100	Ditto Rs. 500	Ditto Rs. 1,000.	Ditto Rs. 5,000.	Ditto Rs. 10,000.	Exceeding Rs. 10,000.	Number of suits, the value of which cannot be estimated in money.				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11			12
CIVIL COURTS.													
Parpattegars' Courts	77	220	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6,536	9	8	
Subedars' Courts	134	593	355	177	...	...	...	...	13	71,792	10	4	
Munsiffs' Courts	103	300	133	387	...	...	...	...	10	98,005	10	11	
1st Assistant Commissioner's Court	...	...	...	...	2	29	...	...	...	47,292	6	2	
2nd Assistant Commissioner's Court	...	...	...	...	23	54	19	...	...	84,691	5	9	
District Judge's Court	...	...	...	...	...	3	2	5	...	21,42,946	3	9	
Judicial Commissioner's Court	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Total.....	314	1,113	488	587	56	51	2	5	23	24,51,264	14	7	

JUDICIAL STATEMENT IX.—(CIVIL.)

Statement showing the General Result of the Trial of Civil Cases in the Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the Province of Coorg in the year 1885.

PART I.—CIVIL SUITS.

Class of Courts.	Total Number of Suits before the Courts.	Number of Suits disposed of.										Pending at the close of the year.	Number of cases pending more than three months at the close of the year.	Average Duration of Suits.		Remarks.
		Transferred to Courts in other Provinces.	Without trial.	Without Contest.				On reference to arbitration		With contest				Contested.	Uncontested.	
				Compromised.	Decreed on confession.	Decreed *ex-parte*.	Dismissed *ex-parte*.	For Plaintiff	For Defendant.	Judgment for plaintiff in whole or in part.	Judgment for defendant.					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
CIVIL COURTS.																
Parattegar s Courts	293	...	63	4	103	53	...	...	...	39	8	23	...	30	18	
Subedars' Courts	1,302	..	198	39	379	332	5	...	...	202	95	52	1	40	32	
Munsiffs' Courts	1,069	...	115	34	251	318	5	1	...	147	50	148	22	73	33	
1st Assistant Commissioner's Court	33	...	3	...	4	6	...	...	...	12	...	8	1	55	37	
2nd Assistant Commissioner s Court...	93	...	11	5	32	17	...	...	...	21	2	5	1	56	34	
District Judge's Court	13	...	2	1	2	1	...	...	1	1	2	3	1	279	65	
Judicial Commissioner s Court	..	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	
Total	2,803	...	392	83	771	727	10	1	1	422	157	239	26	53	31	

PART II.—MISCELLANIOUS CASES—(JUDICIAL).

Class of Court	Total Number of Cases before the Courts.	Number of Cases disposed of.										Pending at the close of the year.	Number of cases pending more than three months at the close of the year	Average Duration of Cases.	Remarks.
		Transferred to Courts in other Provinces.	Without trial.	Without contest.				On reference to arbitration.		With contest.				Contested and Uncontested.	
				Compromised	Decreed on confession.	Decreed *ex-parte*.	Dismissed *ex-parte*	For plaintiff.	For defendant.	Judgment for plaintiff in whole or in part.	Judgment for defendant.				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
CIVIL COURTS															
Parattegars' Courts	15	...	5	..	1	4	..	...	..	5	...		...	12	
Subedars' Courts	206	...	29	1	15	11	1	...	..	98	48	3	...	12	
Munsiffs' Courts	254	...	59	10	10	82	...	...	...	50	31	12	...	8	
1st Assistant Commissioner's Court	27	...	13	...	1	1		..	...	10	1	1	...	19	
2nd Assistant Commissioner's Court	97	...	17	6	7	16	6	...	..	29	9	7	...	22	
District Judge's Court	81	...	18	.	...	48	...	.	.	4	7	4	...	30	
Judicial Commissioner' Court	...	...	...	..	...	. .	...	...	..	...	.	. .	...	...	
Total.....	680	...	141	17	34	162	7	. .	...	196	96	27	...	14	

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. X.—(CIVIL).

Statement showing the Business of the Civil Appellate Courts of the Province of Coorg in the year 1885.

PART I.—APPEALS FROM DECREES.

Class of Courts.	Total Number of Appeals before Courts.	Transferred to Courts in other Provinces.	Decisions confirmed, Section 551, Civil Procedure Code.	Dismissed for default or otherwise not prosecuted.	Heard *ex-parte*.				Contested.				Pending.	Of these, pending more than three months.	Average duration of appeals.	Objections under Section 561, Act XIV of 1882.	Remarks.
					Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded.	Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded.					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
APPEALS FROM ORIGINAL DECREES.																	
Civil Courts.																	
1st Assistant Commissioner's Court. ...	68	...	1	8	1	...	1	1	32	13	1	2	8	...	24	...	
2nd Assistant Commissioner's Court, ...	45	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	20	5	16	4	...	...	35	...	
District Judge's Court, ...	29	...	2	1	1	...	...	...	12	5	3	2	3	...	29	...	
Total.....	142	...	3	9	2	...	1	1	64	23	20	8	11	...	29	...	
Judicial Commissioner's Court. { Appeals from Original decrees...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	1	...	39·6	...	
{ Appeals from Appellate decrees...	31	...	1	...	7	...	1	...	9	...	2	1	10	...	95·14	...	
Total.....	35	...	1	...	7	...	1	...	11	...	3	1	11	...	88·20	...	
Grand Total.....	177	...	4	9	9	...	2	1	75	23	23	9	22	...	38·16	...	

PART II. MISCELLANEOUS APPEALS—(JUDICIAL).

APPEALS FROM ORIGINAL DECREES.																	
Civil Courts.																	
1st Assistant Commissioner's Court.	5	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	2	2	...	...	...	...	14	...	
2nd Assistant Commissioner's Court	9	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	7	...	...	...	9	...	
District Judge's Court	4	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	9	...	
Total.....	18	...	...	2	...	...	2	...	3	2	9	...	...	...	11	...	
Judicial Commissioner's Court { Appeals from Original Decrees...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
{ Appeals from Appellate Decrees...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Total.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Grand Total.....	18	...	...	2	...	...	2	...	3	2	9	...	...	...	11	...	

JUDICIAL STATEMENT XI.—(CIVIL).

Statement showing the result of Proceedings on Applications for Execution of Decrees of the Civil Courts in the Province of Coorg in the year 1885.

Class of Courts.	Total Number of Applications for the execution of decrees before the Courts.	Applications disposed of.				Pending at the end of the year.	Number of Applications pending more than three months at the close of the year.	Amount realized.		Number of Applications—												Remarks
		By transfer.	Satisfaction obtained in full.	Satisfaction obtained in part.	Wholly infructuous.			With the issue of process.	Without the issue of process.	On which the judgment-debtor was imprisoned.	On which he was arrested, but released without imprisonment.	On which movable property.— Was sold.	On which movable property.— Was attached, but subsequently released.	On which immovable property.— Was sold.	On which immovable property.— Was dealt with under Sections 305, 322 or 326, Act XIV of 1882.	On which immovable property.— Was attached but subsequently relased under Section 275.	On which possession was given— Of movables.	On which possession was given— Of immovables.	On which specific performance was enforced.	On which partition was effected.	On which execution was effected otherwise than the preceding columns.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
CIVIL COURTS.																						
Parpattegars' Courts	103	...	51	12	35	5	...	1,226 15 8	...	1	15	7	21	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Sheristars' Courts	1,420	...	344	247	753	76	...	24,615 4 2	245 2 0	13	49	122	282	5	...	6	13	3	...	...	...	
Munsiffs' Courts	899	...	172	145	446	136	1	18,684 3 11	886 0 0	28	67	76	183	10	...	23	...	1	...	...	...	
1st Assistant Commissioner's Court...	16	...	...	6	3	7	...	1,226 0 0	...	...	1	5	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	
2nd Assistant Commissioner's Court...	272	...	38	56	134	44	2	26,718 5 4	3,487 7 4	4	...	30	45	4	2	11	...	2	...	...	...	
District Judge's Court... ...	20	...	5	7	5	3	...	35,768 11 7	...	1	...	4	3	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	
Judicial Commissioner's Court ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Total.....	2,730	...	610	473	1,376	271	3	108,239 8 8	4,618 9 4	47	132	244	534	22	2	42	13	7	...	...	...	

JUDICIAL STATEMENT XII.—(CIVIL)

Statement showing the Number and Result of Applications and Proceedings under Chapter XX, Act X of 1877, *in the Province of Coorg in the year* 1885.

Class of Courts.	Applications for a Declaration of Insolvency.								Number of Insolvents discharged during the year under Section 355.	Number of Insolvents' estates in the hands of the Receivers in which proceedings were finally closed during the year.	Amount of creditors' claims dealt with during the year.		Gross Amount of Insolvents' Assets realized and disbursed.		Remarks.
	Total Number of hearing.	Transferred to another Province, withdrawn, &c.	Granted, A Receiver being appointed.	Granted, A Receiver not being appointed.	Rejected. Penal proceedings under Section 359 not being taken.	Rejected. Sentence of imprisonment being passed under Section 359.	Rejected. Applicant being sent to the Magistrate to be dealt with.	Pending at the close of the year.			Admitted.	Satisfied.	Realized during the year.	Disbursed during the year.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
1st Assistant Commissioner's Court	4	...	...	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
2nd Assistant Commissioner's Court	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
District Judge's Court	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Total.....	5	...	...	2	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	

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